

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
REQUEST FOR FILING NATIONAL PATENT APPLICATION

Under 35 USC 111(a) and Rule 53(b)

PATENT APPLICATION

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NON PCT NAT PHASE

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Sir:

Herewith is the PATENT APPLICATION of
Inventor(s): **Rento TANASE and Tetsu KOBAYASHI**

Title **HOLLOW PANEL**

Atty. Dkt.: P 306046 | H7975US
M# Client Ref

including:

Date: September 19, 2003

1. Specification: 19 pages (only spec. and claims) 2. ☐ Specification in non-English language
3. Declaration ☐ Original ☒ Facsimile/Copy ☒ Abstract 1 page(s); 12 numbered claims
4. ☒ Drawings: 4 sheet(s) ☒ informal; ☐ formal of size: ☐ A4 ☐ 11"
5. ☐ See top first page re prior Provisional, National or International application(s). ("X" box only if info is there and do not complete corresponding item 6 or 7). (Prior M# _____ SN _____)
6. This application claims benefit of the following prior US application(s), the contents of which are incorporated into this application by this reference:

No. / filed _____
No. / filed _____
No. / filed _____
No. PCT / filed _____, which

designated the US.

7. ☐ See the attached Preliminary Amendment, which amends the specification to claim benefit of the above listed US application(s)

8. ☒ Attached is an assignment and cover sheet. Please return the recorded assignment to the undersigned.

9. ☒ Assignee **YAMAHA CORPORATION**

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10. **FOREIGN** priority is claimed under 35 USC 119(a)-(d)/365(b) based on filing in _____

11. _____ (country)

Application No.	Filing Date	Application No.	Filing Date
(1) 2002-274727	September 20, 2002	(2)	
(3)		(4)	
(5)		(6)	
(7)		(8)	
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12. 1 (No.) Certified copy (copies): ☒ attached; ☐ previously filed (date) _____
in U.S. Application No. / filed on _____

13. Small entity status → ☒ is **not** claimed; ☐ is claimed (Pre-filing confirmation required)
- 13(a). ☐ Attached: _____ (No.) Small Entity Statement(s) (since 9/8/00 small entity statement(s) not essential to make claim)
- 13(b). ☐ See **NONPUBLICATION REQUEST** under Rule 213(a) attached (PAT-258)
14. **DOMESTIC/INTERNATIONAL** priority is claimed under 35 USC 119(e)/120/365(c) based on the following provisional, nonprovisional and/or PCT international application(s):

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(2)		(5)	
(3)		(6)	

15. ☐ This application is being filed under Rule 53(b)(2) since an inventor is named in the enclosed Declaration who was not named in the prior application.
16. ☐ Attached:
17. ☐ Preliminary Amendment:

THE FOLLOWING FILING FEE IS BASED ON CLAIMS AS FILED LESS ANY ABOVE CANCELLED

				Large/Small Entity		Fee Code
18. Basic Filing Fee				\$750/\$375	\$750	101/201
19. Total Effective Claims	12	minus 20 =	*0	x \$18/\$9 =	+ 0	103/203
20. Independent Claims	3	minus 3 =	*0	x \$84/\$42 =	+ 0	102/202
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21. If any proper multiple dependent claim (ignore improper) is present, add (Leave this line blank if this is a reissue application)				+ \$280/\$140	+ 0	104/204
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23. If "non-English" box 2 is X'd, add Rule 17(k) processing fee				+ \$130	+ 0	139
24. If "assignment" box 8 is X'd, add recording fee				+ \$40	+ 40	581
25. <input type="checkbox"/> Attached is a Petition/Fee under Rule No.				+ \$130	+ 0	122
26. TOTAL FEE =				\$790		

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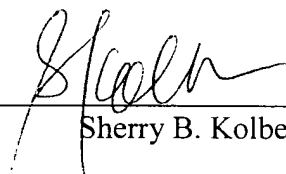
Dear Sir:

I hereby certify that the following documents:

- X Patent application (19 pages of specification; 1 page abstract; 12 claims)
- X Information Disclosure Statement and Form-1449 and 3 references
- X Declaration and Power of Attorney
- X Assignment and cover sheet
- X Check in the amount of \$790 to cover the application filing fee and assignment recordation fee
- X 4 sheets of informal drawings
- X Return postcard

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☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity Fee Code (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1001 750	2001 375	Utility filing fee	<u>750</u>
1002 330	2002 165	Design filing fee	
1003 520	2003 260	Plant filing fee	
1004 750	2004 375	Reissue filing fee	
1005 160	2005 80	Provisional filing fee	

SUBTOTAL (1) (\$)750.00

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
24	-20** = 4	18	72
Independent Claims	-3** =		
Multiple Dependent			

Large Entity Fee Code (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code (\$)	Fee Description
1202 18	2202 9	Claims in excess of 20
1201 84	2201 42	Independent claims in excess of 3
1203 280	2203 140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
1204 84	2204 42	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205 18	2205 9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

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3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Large Entity Small Entity

Fee Code (\$)	Fee Code (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1051 130	2051 65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
1052 50	2052 25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
1053 130	1053 130	Non-English specification	
1812 2,520	1812 2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
1804 920*	1804 920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1805 1,840*	1805 1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251 110	2251 55	Extension for reply within first month	
1252 410	2252 205	Extension for reply within second month	
1253 930	2253 465	Extension for reply within third month	
1254 1,450	2254 725	Extension for reply within fourth month	
1255 1,970	2255 985	Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401 320	2401 160	Notice of Appeal	
1402 320	2402 160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403 280	2403 140	Request for oral hearing	
1451 1,510	1451 1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452 110	2452 55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453 1,300	2453 650	Petition to revive - unintentional	
1501 1,300	2501 650	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
1502 470	2502 235	Design issue fee	
1503 630	2503 315	Plant issue fee	
1460 130	1460 130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
1807 50	1807 50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
1806 180	1806 180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
8021 40	8021 40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
1809 750	2809 375	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))	
1810 750	2810 375	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	
1801 750	2801 375	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
1802 900	1802 900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	

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